Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 04 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021 at 03:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for settled conditions until the weekend then more unsettled. Low for cloud amounts, and timing and quantities of rain later in the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 03 Mar 2021: Staying dry. Uncertain cloud, best chance of sunshine on the summits and in the southwest of the area.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 03 Mar 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	30%

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Weather: A dry day. Some low cloud over the northeast, especially the Strathdon and Cromdale foothills. Best chance of sunny spells over Creag Meagaidh, the Cairngorm Plateau and the south and west. Later in the evening some light rain and hill snow may reach the Northern Cairngorms with cloud becoming more extensive

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Visibility: Excellent from the tops above around 800m. Cloud amounts uncertain. Bases in northeast around 400m, lower patches, tops around 750m, so greatest chance of poor visibility on the windward side of the hills between these heights.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/8 N	7/9 N	6/9 N	7/11 NE	9/12 NE	18/24 NE	22/29 NE
900	5/6 N	6/8 NE	7/10 N	8/12 NE	9/13 NE	14/18 NE	16/20 NE
600	4/5 NE	4/6 N	6/9 NE	7/11 NE	6/10 NE	8/12 NE	8/12 NE
300	2/4 NE	3/7 NE	5/9 NE	6/12 NE	5/11 NE	4/10 NE	3/8 N
Glen	4/5 N	4/7 NE	5/9 NE	5/11 NE	4/10 NE	3/9 NE	3/9 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-7	-2/-6	-2/-5	-3/-8	-6/-11	-6/-13	-5/-13
900	1/-1	-1/-4	-1/-4	-1/-5	-2/-7	-3/-8	-2/-8
600	-2/-5	-1/-4	1/-2	2/-2	0/-3	-0/-4	-0/-4
300	-1/-2	0/-1	3/0	3/1	2/-0	1/-1	1/-0
Glen	-1/-3	0/-2	3/1	4/2	3/1	2/1	2/1
Freezing Level*	100m	300m	400m	500m	500m	500m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note the falling summit temperatures in the evening.

Forecast for Thursday 04 Mar 2021
Weather: A cloudy start with a little light rain, with snow above 500m. Then dry in the afternoon with cloud breaking to allow some sunshine. A clear cold evening with frost at all levels.

Maximum wind: East or northeast 20 gusts 30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% in morning rising 80% in afternoon.

Visibility: Moderate at first with some slight haze and some reductions in light rain and snow. Then very good in the afternoon in the clean cold arctic airmass away from any residual lower cloud. Cloud bases 600-900m in morning then becoming broken and lifting above summits in the afternoon except for the odd patch.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius falling to Minus 2 in the evening.
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius falling to Minus 4 during the afternoon.
Freezing level: 700m falling to 450m in afternoon and all levels in evening

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